

CONCLUSION

This is responsive to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed on March 13, 2006.

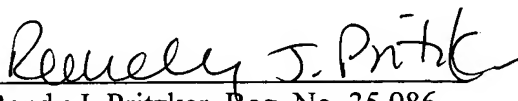
As identified in the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, the Preliminary Amendment filed on March 1, 2006 contained errors in the "Amendments to the claims" section. In a telephone conversation with Legal Instruments Examiner Wanda Mitchell, it was suggested that the second occurrence of claim 26 (which was canceled in the Preliminary Amendment and added as claim 35) should be labeled "Duplicate number" for clarification. Applicants have so labeled the second occurrence of claim 26.

Applicants submit herewith replacement pages 2-7 with a complete listing of all of the claims. No new matter has been added.

It is Applicants' understanding that only the non-compliant section of the amendment needed to be resubmitted. Accordingly Applicants have only included in this "Response to Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment" the corrected section of the non-compliant amendment.

If this response is not considered timely filed and if a request for an extension of time is otherwise absent, Applicants hereby request any necessary extension of time. If there is a fee occasioned by this response, including an extension fee, that is not covered by an enclosed check, please charge any deficiency to Deposit Account No. 23/2825.

Respectfully submitted,
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